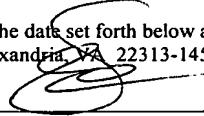


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Dear Sir:

In response to a requirement for restriction mailed July 20, 2006, in the file of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.